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MOUNT VERNON—Mount Vernon Fire units responded to reports of smoke coming from the roof of a single-family residence located on the 300 block of West Section Street, Monday afternoon at 3:45 p.m.

Along with Burlington City Firefighters, crews arrived quickly and found the family that was inside the home when the fire started had safely evacuated their residence after calling 911.

There were no injuries to the residents or the firefighters in the incident, and the fire was extinguished after extensive overhaul.

Big Lake and McLean Road Fire Departments also assisted in the efforts by staffing Mount Vernon fire stations and responding to additional calls within Mount Vernon.

The family that was displaced by the damage to their home are being assisted by Red Cross to help find shelter and meals.

Working smoke detectors alerted the family to the fire; and the Mount Vernon Fire Department wishes to remind residents to ensure that their devices are also working properly.

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